



General Assembly

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***Raised Bill No. 6545***

LCO No. 4027

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Referred to Committee on Public Health

Introduced by:  
(PH )

***AN ACT CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF PROPHYLACTIC AND  
EMERGENCY CARE TO HOSPITAL PATIENTS.***

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Section 19a-490k of the general statutes is repealed and  
2 the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2011*):

3 (a) A hospital may administer care to patients, after an assessment  
4 of contraindications, without a physician's order, in accordance with a  
5 physician-approved hospital policy, if such care is emergent, timely  
6 and necessary, or for the purpose of advancing patient care, to the  
7 extent such care is permitted by 42 CFR Part 482.

8 (b) A hospital may administer any prophylactic care or treatment to  
9 healthy newborns who are born at the hospital, or who are admitted to  
10 the hospital nursery, after an assessment of contraindications, without  
11 a physician's order, in accordance with a physician-approved hospital  
12 policy, to the extent such care or treatment is permitted by 42 CFR Part  
13 482.

14 (c) A hospital may administer influenza and pneumococcal  
15 polysaccharide vaccines to patients, after an assessment for

16 contraindications, without a physician's order, in accordance with a  
17 physician-approved hospital policy. The Commissioner of Public  
18 Health shall adopt regulations, in accordance with the provisions of  
19 chapter 54, to carry out the provisions of this [section] subsection.

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| This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections: |  |  |
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| Section 1 | <i>October 1, 2011</i> | 19a-490k |
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***PH***      *Joint Favorable*